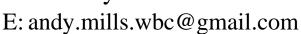


#### Woodstock Baptist Church Minister: Andy Mills 201993 810949



www.woodstockbaptistchurch.org.uk/



### September 2025



## Welcome to our services!

Why not come in and join us, or if you would like to find out some more about the church visit the website or get in touch with our minister, Andy



#### Services in September

Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	10:30am	a creation shaped people – attentiveness 1 Kings 19:1-13; Psalm 130:5-6 Service led by Andy Mills	
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> September	10:30am	a creation shaped people –  fruitfulness  Isaiah 5:1-7; John 15:1-17  including communion Service led by Andy Mills	
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	10:30am	a creation shaped people –  togetherness  Philippians 1:27 – 2:11  Service led by Andy Mills	
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	10:30am	a creation shaped people – uniqueness Psalm 139; Luke 12:4-7 Harvest service led by Andy Mills	

#### musings from the manse

My second Desert Island Book is What's So Amazing About Grace by Phillip Yancey.

This book is a warm, insightful and provoking look at the story of God's grace.

Using all his skills as a journalist and storyteller, Yancey leads the reader through an exploration of what he says is the churches greatest distinctive, 'The one thing the world cannot duplicate and the one thing it craves above all else – for only grace can bring hope and transformation to a jaded world.'

I found this book brought alive, and gave substance, to my previous experience of God's grace, and since reading it the lessons I learnt have kept in the forefront of my mind the importance of God's grace in all things.

The book is full of stories, reflections on scripture and memorable quotes, such as 'There is nothing we can do to make God love us more and there is nothing we can do to make God love us less.' Which is something in our world of merit that we always need to keep close to our hearts and minds.

It is a book I am always willing to recommend to other and there is even a copy available at church to borrow!

Your minister

Andy

Mondays	9:30-11am	Foodbank	
Every Tuesday	10:30am	The Men's ARC (Actively Retired's Coffee Club) gather at the church before descending on a coffee house for conversation.	
Every Tuesday	9-9:30am	Morning prayer on Zoom (Meeting ID: 892 8863 1407 - Passcode: 642818)	
Every Wednesday	12noon- 1pm	Daytime Housegroup at the church. Bible study, fellowship & prayer. Talk to Alan B if you would like more details.	
Every Wednesday	7:30-8pm	Evening prayer on Zoom (Meeting ID: 833 1374 4413 - Passcode: 733689)	
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	8:30am	Men's prayer breakfast Woodstock Baptist Church	
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	3-4:30pm	Craft Café Woodstock Baptist Church	
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September			

#### Craft Café Sunday 7th September



#### Noah's Ark, the Wednesday morning toddler group

9:45-11:15 am.

Every Wednesday in term time. Please contact Andy if you are able to help in running this valuable and much appreciated ministry/community service.

#### **North Oxfordshire Community Foodbank:**

You can donate to the foodbank in two ways.

Donations of food can be placed in the box in the church foyer, put in the collection bin in Woodstock Co-Op, or you can contact Andy.

If you wish to give financially, please go to the following link:

www.northoxfordshirecommunityfoodbank.org.uk/#/do nations/4542603964

Your support for the foodbank is much appreciated.



### **Woodstock Baptist Church**

will be open from 10am to 6pm on Saturday 13th September

drink and cakes will be available

all welcome

https://ohct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/

September	Refreshments	Flowers	Cleaning
7th	Joanne	Jenny	Annabelle & Bruce
14th	Bruce & Annabelle	Pat	
21st	TBD	June	
28th	Pat & Alan	Hannah	

#### **Coming soon....**



# got questions about life and the Christian faith

If you're looking for answers then maybe it's time to make a Start.

Run in a small group, each session involves video clips, group discussion and time for reflection. Each session lasts about an hour and is free to attend.

What's life all about and where are we going?

Does God exist and what is he like?

Why is the world in such a mess?

Who was Jesus, and is he relevant?

What does Jesus' death on the cross mean for me today?

How far can I go forward with God in my life?

Start will help you discover more about God, Jesus and the journey of life.

cost - absolutely nothing, the course is **free**starting - early October 2025

for more information contact - Andy Mills - andy.mills.wbc@gmail.com

#### **Events in other Woodstock churches**

#### **Methodist Church**





Tuesday Fellowship (2.30pm to 4pm) Methodist Church

#### **Prayers**

Father God, we pray for our world, our church, our community, our families and friends.

We continue to pray for Nick, Ruth, & Hannah, Colin & Family, Anna, Pete & family, Bruce & Annabelle, Gregor & family, Chris, Pauline & Julie, Gill & Tim, June & Mike, friends & family.

We pray for Tabitha as she starts her apprenticeship. May she feel God's presence forever by her side.

We pray for all students as they return to nursery, start school or attend new schools. We pray they will make friends and have easy transitions.

We pray for Matthew and Libby, WYWT, as they return refreshed to work alongside students in our local schools.

Prayers also for our families attending Noah's Ark. Those returning and new families. We pray they will enjoy friendship and fun in a relaxed setting.

We pray for world peace in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. We pray for countries to find diplomatic solutions that will bring harmony between nations. We pray for wars to end. Amen

Joshua 1:9: "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

Please send items for the newsletter to:

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